

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 11-16 are now pending in this application. Claims 11 and 14-16 were indicated as allowed, for which Applicants thank the Office. Claims 12 and 13 were rejected under the doctrine of nonstatutory double patenting over claims 1-3 of U.S. Patent No. 6,458,288. In response thereto, Applicants herewith submit a terminal disclaimer. With such submission, Applicants request withdrawal of this ground of rejection.

In light of the above discussion, the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance. An early and favorable action to that effect is respectfully requested.

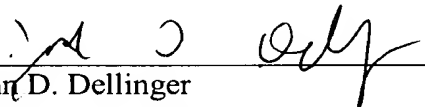
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